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Discover4 **June 2022 RUFF DAY?**

HAVE A BALL AT A LOCAL DOG PARK By Taiah Douglas

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Northwest Ohio has a variety of dog parks for you and your furry friends to explore this summer.

Defiance

Defiance Bark & Run, 11795 Precision Way, is a private dog park with two fenced-in, 1-acre areas where small dogs and large dogs legged friends for controlled play may be separated for play. For an annual fee, your canine

companion can take advantage of the park and engage in activities such as "Puppy Play," hosted at 2 p.m. on Sundays. The Defiance Bark & Run Dog Park is a 501c3

nonprofit park and is not affiliated with the city. All fees fund park events, maintenance and upkeep.

Findlay

K-9 Field of Dreams Dog Park, ocated at Riverbend Recreation area,, provides dog owners the opportunity to unleash their fourthroughout the 1-acre park.

This park is free to the public and offers amenities such as water, shelter with picnic tables, shade, benches, waste containers, dog waste bags, nearby restrooms and a bulletin board with park rules.



Bowling Green

The Wood County Dog Shelter operates and maintains the Wood County Dog Park, 1912 E. Gypsy Lane Road. This park provides an agility course for dogs to utilize, along with three enclosures for Continued on Page 3





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Our traditional shopping event takes place every December. The FOP works with local school districts to determine children who would benefit from a little extra help at Christmas or an increased relationship with law enforcement. These children then meet members at Meijer for a morning of Christmas shopping. Each child receives \$200 and is instructed to purchase necessities first and then save some for toys!

Cops and Kids Get Creative

In partnership with local arts businesses, the FOP invites children of all abilities to create together with a lodge member. Events will be held on a quarterly basis and are subject to availability of an officer.

Cops and Kids Get involved

The FOP participates in community events such as the Halloween Parade, National Night Out, the Bikes, Books & Badges Bicycle Rodeo, Children's Mentoring Connection, Bowling for Kids and the Findlay Service League Purse Bingo. We also sponsor numerous youth sports teams and 4H projects.

Cops and Kids Go Back to School

Provides member kids with school supplies and a back-to-school bash.

To make a donation online go to fortfindlayfop20.org/cops-and-kids

Or send a check to Fort Findlay FOP Lodge 20 Foundation P.O. Box 1335 1769 S. Romick Pkwy Findlay, OH 45840

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A tired pup rests with a tennis ball at Defiance Bark & Run.

Continued from page 1 owners to play with their pups.

To access this park, dog owners must complete a member registry at the Wood County Dog Shelter. Membership is available to those



Unleashed dogs play together at Defiance Bark & Run

equipment expenses.

Tiffin

Tiffin's Bark Park, open 365 days a year, is another local favorite and is a 501c3 nonprofit operated by the city. Located within Highland Park on North Washington Street, Bark Park offers a 1.5-acre fencedin grass area, with two enclosures for dogs to roam. The park also includes two pieces of agility equipment, along with a tunnel that goes through a hill.

The park features pavilions that provide shade on hot days, as well as several benches and dog waste stations. Bark Park is an off-leash only dog park, and prompts guests not to bring personal dog toys and treats.

Registered park user forms can be found online at www.tiffinparks. com/tiffin-bark-park/

According to the Ohio Department Natural Resources. iťs of recommended to keep an updated



A pooch soaks up the sun at Defiance Bark & Run.

living in and outside of Wood copy of your dog's vaccination form County. Registration fees support with you and ensure your pup is park maintenance, supplies and up to date on rabies shots. The department also reminds owners to clean up after their dog and properly dispose of waste.

> For more dog park regulations, visit www.ohiodnr.gov





Bella and Izzy play inside the tunnel at Tiffin's Bark Park.

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Welcome!

Joan Browne Kose named Community Ambassador for Taylor Automotive Findlay, Ohio dealerships.



Tom Cole, Joan Browne Kose, and Terry Crosby

The Taylor Automotive Family is pleased and proud to announce that Joan Browne Kose has joined their team as the new Community Ambassador for their Findlay, Ohio dealerships. Joan, who has strong ties to Findlay, was formerly President of Lott Industries, and also served on the Board of Trustees at the University of Toledo. Joan is an active guiding force of Unruly Arts and has always been a stellar community leader that

displays integrity and character in all her endeavors. Taylor is excited to welcome Joan to the Taylor Automotive Family to represent both Taylor Kia and Taylor Hyundai in Findlay.

Joan joins Terry Crosby and Tom Cole as the third member of the Community Outreach Team for the Taylor Automotive Family. Terry has been a Taylor Automotive Community Ambassador in Toledo the last four years with an even longer-standing reputation of representing the Toledo community well. Terry was a star athlete in the Toledo City League and an All American at the University of Tennessee in basketball. He was drafted in the second round of the NBA and also played 12 years professionally in Europe. Terry is in the City League Hall of Fame as well as the Devilbiss Hall of Fame. Crosby brings remarkable energy and enthusiasm to the Taylor Team and is committed to giving back to his hometown! Tom Cole has been the Taylor Automotive Family Community Outreach Coordinator for the last five years and has made a huge impact on many individuals and organizations throughout the Toledo area. Tom is a member of the first graduating class of St. John's Jesuit High School and was the first quarterback in history of the school! Cole also played quarterback on a National Championship Team at Ohio Wesleyan University. He has taught and coached for 30 years in high school and



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college. Cole is in the City League Hall of Fame and also in St. John's Jesuit Hall of Fame. Before his time with Taylor, Tom was a sports broadcaster for 25 years where he was named BCSN MVP, has won 6 Cable Broadcast Awards, and is also a published author.

"Joan, Terry and Tom will be working together to find more ways for the Taylor Automotive Family to get involved and give back to each of our local communities," says Steve Taylor.

Taylor adds, "When we say we are Locally Owned and Locally Committed, we mean it. We are committed to making a positive difference where we live, work and play and we are excited to now have 3 full time Community Ambassadors on the Taylor Team! We are blessed to be in a position to give back to the communities that have supported us for over 40 years and we couldn't prouder of the team we have assembled to help lead us in this endeavor!"

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